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Enclosed with reference to the above matter are the following documents:

- 1. Petition Requesting Waiver of the Signature Requirement of a Non-Signing Inventor Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.183.
- 2. Reissue Application Supplemental Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Adam Canni.
- 3. Reissue Application Supplemental Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Scott D. Shields.

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I hereby certify that this paper, including all enclosures referred to herein, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail, postage pre-paid, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on:

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4. Affidavit (of Mark E. Stuenkel) with Exhibits A & B.

5. Check for \$400 to cover the Petition fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Enclosed are Declarations executed by Adam Canni and Scott Shields. Also enclosed is an Affidavit providing proof of the pertinent facts concerning the inability to locate co-inventor Clifford Krapfl, notwithstanding diligent effort. Waiver of the signature requirement of Clifford Krapfl is therefore being requested. The last known address for Mr. Krapfl is 1114 West Belmont, Apt. 6, Chicago, Illinois 60637.

The required fee of \$400.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(f) is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment as a result of the filing of this paper to Deposit Account No. 02-3978.

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REISSUE APPLICATION SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY BY NAMED INVENTORS

As a named inventor of U.S. Patent No. 6,338,517 issued January 15, 2002, whose current residence, post-office address and citizenship are stated below, I hereby declare that:

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is described and claimed in Letters Patent No. 6,338,517 ("the original patent"), granted January 15, 2002, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled "OVERHEAD CONSOLE FOR A VEHICLE," the specification of which is attached hereto.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims as amended by an amendment filed November 21, 2006. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, by reason of our claiming less than we had the right to claim in the patent. For example, claim 38 requires that the accessory module include "a housing having vertically extending side walls

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that extend between the rails when the module is secured to the rails." This limitation does not appear to be necessary in order to patentably define our invention over the prior art, and is not included in new claim 44, for example. Moreover, this insufficiency arose through error, in that we did not fully appreciate the scope of our invention vis-à-vis the prior art.

All errors being corrected in the reissue application up to the time of the filing of this declaration arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant.

I hereby appoint the practitioners associated with Customer Number 34007 to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and direct that all correspondence be addressed to that Customer Number. Telephone calls should be directed to (248) 358-4400.

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Sir:

MARK E. STUENKEL, being duly sworn, and having personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein, hereby deposes and says that:

- Adam J. Canni, Scott D. Shields and Clifford Krapfl are listed as co-1. inventors of the invention disclosed in the reissue patent application.
 - 2. Mr. Canni and Mr. Shields have each executed a Supplemental Declaration.
- 3. The last known mailing address for Mr. Krapfl is 1114 W. Belmont, Apt. 6, Chicago, Illinois 60657.
- 4. As indicated in the prior Affidavit filed May 25, 2004, a prior envelope sent to Mr. Krapfl at the above address was returned, along with a Return Receipt stamped "returned to sender" and "attempted not known." A copy of the Return Receipt is enclosed herewith as Exhibit A.
- 5. On November 30, 2006, I conducted a search of the White Pages on the Internet in an attempt to locate a new address for Mr. Krapfl. The results of the Search are



attached as Exhibit B. Eight search results were identified when I searched "C. Krapfl," but seven of the eight search results indicated a name other than Clifford. The remaining search result indicated "Krapfl, T & C."

6. On February 9, 2007, I called telephone number 641 755-3729, which is the telephone number associated with the search result identified as "Krapfl, T & C." A woman answered the telephone and said that no Clifford lived at that address, and that she was not aware of a Clifford Krapfl.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

MARK E. STUENKEL Registration No. 44,364

Subscribed and sworn to before me

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